

COMMITTEE REPORT

MR. PRESIDENT:

The Senate Committee on Governmental and Regulatory Affairs, to which was referred Senate Bill No. 263, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill be AMENDED as follows:

- 1 Page 3, between lines 15 and 16, begin a new paragraph and insert:
- 2 "SECTION 5. IC 12-20-15-4 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
- 3 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2001]: Sec. 4. In hearing an appeal,
- 4 the board of commissioners and a hearing officer shall be governed by
- 5 the township's poor relief standards for determining eligibility to the
- 6 extent that the standards comply with existing law for the granting of
- 7 poor relief. If no legally sufficient standards have been established, the
- 8 board of commissioners and the hearing officer shall be guided by the
- 9 circumstances in each case. **The board of commissioners and the**
- 10 **hearing officer may not consider any documents or evidence that**
- 11 **were not presented to the township trustee to make the**
- 12 **determination under appeal."**
- 13 Page 5, delete lines 13 through 21, begin a new paragraph and
- 14 insert:
- 15 "SECTION 7. IC 12-20-21-4, AS AMENDED BY P.L.101-2000,
- 16 SECTION 4, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
- 17 JULY 1, 2001]: Sec. 4. If the board of commissioners determines from
- 18 the quarterly reports filed by the township trustee under IC 12-20-21-5
- 19 with the county auditor and the levies made by the respective

1 townships for poor relief purposes that there will be insufficient money
 2 in the township poor relief fund to provide free and available money
 3 during the following year ~~for estimated advancements to townships~~ for
 4 poor relief purposes on the basis of the total costs of poor relief granted
 5 by the township trustees, as administrators of poor relief, for the
 6 previous twelve (12) months:

- 7 (1) the board of commissioners may include estimates for the
- 8 advancements in the county general fund budget;
- 9 (2) the county fiscal body may appropriate for the advancement
- 10 in the budget and levy as adopted by the county fiscal body; and
- 11 (3) the state board of tax commissioners shall include that amount
- 12 in the final county general fund levy.".

13 Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.
 (Reference is to SB 263 as introduced.)

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

Committee Vote: Yeas 8, Nays 1.

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Chairperson